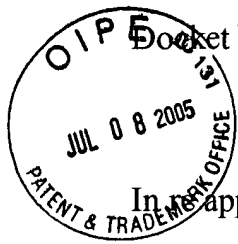


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

Claim Amendments are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin thereafter on page 9.